

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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3 A nestable crate for bottles includes a floor portion having a floor top
4 surface, a floor bottom surface and a plurality of bottle support areas. A wall structure
5 is connected to the floor portion and forms a containment area therewith. The wall
6 structure has a peripherally extending upper band portion with an interior surface and
7 an exterior surface, and also has a single-walled lower wall construction comprising
8 adjacent column members which extend between the upper band and floor portion.
9 The wall structure includes sidewalls and end walls, and adjacent column members
10 have curved facing surfaces extending inwardly into the containment area . The inner
11 surface of the upper band portion, one of the plurality of bottle support areas, and the
12 facing surfaces define a plurality of bottle receiving pockets extending around the
13 periphery of the wall structure.